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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

ERICH KLAEUI, ET AL.

Application No. 10/688,386

Filed: October 16, 2003

For: THREAD CARRYING
APPARATUS AND A TEXTILE
MACHINE, IN PARTICULAR A
WEAVING MACHINE, INCLUDING A
THREAD CARRYING APPARATUS
FOR THIS KIND

Customer No. 20350

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Examiner: William E. Dondero

Technology Center/Art Unit: 3654

RESPONSE TO

RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

San Francisco, CA 94111 November 21, 2005

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

As a precautionary measure, applicants request an extension of time, if needed and if not separately attached hereto, and authorize the Commissioner to charge the fee therefor to our deposit account in accordance with our standing authorization for such charges.

In response to the restriction requirement dated November 8, 2005, applicants elect the prosecution of species IV corresponding to Fig. 4 of the present application.

Applicants advise that claims 1 and 6-10 read on the elected species.

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Further, at least claim 1 is generic to all species and is believed to be allowable over the prior art. Since a generic claim appears to be allowable, applicants request that all pending claims be examined and allowed.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at (415) 273-4730 (direct dial).

Respectfully submitted,

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